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TITLE: METHOD AND APPARATUS PROVIDING CALL ADMISSION THAT
FAVORS MULTI-SLOT MOBILE STATIONS AT CELL EDGES

Mail Stop Amendment
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Sir:

This paper is filed as a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(a). This Response is filed outside the shortened statutory period for reply recited in the referenced Office Action. Please consider this as a petition for an extension of time necessary to effect this Response, and charge Deposit Account No. 50-1924 (\$450) for an extension of time fee. Further, the Patent Office is authorized to charge deposit account no. 50-1924 in the amount of the RCE fee (\$790). Should the undersigned agent be mistaken as to time or fee, please consider this a petition for any extension of time that may be required to maintain the pendency of this Patent Application, and charge deposit account no. 50-1924 for any required fee deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.